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Response to Office Action mailed October 4, 2006

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| Serial No.: | 10/674,245 |) | Art Unit: | 1742 |
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| Filed: | September 29, 2003 |) | | |
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| Title: | METAL ALLOYS FORMING |) | | |
| | PASSIVATING CONDUCTIVE OXIDES |) | | |
| | FOR DURABLE ELECTRICAL |) | | |
| | CONTACT SURFACES |) | | |

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on October 4, 2006, please
amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that
begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.